

in the currents of
poured the streams
into the imperiled
country. They folded
their earthly hopes and
bag, about their per-
spectives in their crimson
stars might not
be a common
thing for, and that the
blue sky nothing be
their God. They have
taught us to live

NARROW ESCAPE

Mrs. G. A. Keller Jumped
From a Window

THE HOUSE WAS IN FLAMES

She Was Not Seriously Hurt—Resi-
dence Was Greatly Damaged
by Fire—Occurred Sun-
day Afternoon.

Sunday afternoon a fire broke out in
the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George A.
Keller, 467 Spring avenue, and Mrs. Kel-
ler jumped from the second story window
in order to escape the flames. Fortunately
she was not badly hurt, but she received
injuries which will probably cause her
to be confined to her bed for some time.
The fire occurred about 4 o'clock in the
afternoon. The Keller family were sit-
ting in the front yard and knew nothing
of it until someone who was passing
found that the fire was confined to a store
room in the back part of the house on
the second floor. He sent his boy to turn
in the fire alarm but thought that if he
could get the door open it might be
possible to put the fire out with a bucket
of water. The room was one which was
always kept locked and the key to the
door was in another part of the house.
Mr. Keller went down stairs to hunt the
key and Mrs. Keller went up stairs. A
boy was with her who had a key that fit
the door. When the door was opened the
flames burst out like an explosion of
powder. Mrs. Keller had rushed to the
front room and the flames came out with
such force that there was no escape for
her and she rushed to the window. Mr.
Keller heard her screams and ran around
the house to get a ladder, but those who
were standing in the yard called to her to
jump and she jumped from the window
to the ground a distance of 15 feet or
more. Her feet struck on the steps of the
porch and broke off the edge of the
steps. This fact probably saved her and
she did not strike the ground with as
much force as if she had not first struck
the steps. The lady was picked up and
taken to a place of safety. Mrs. Keller
is a large woman and the jump was a
terrible undertaking. Her ankles were
both sprained and she was injured in-
ternally, but strange to say, no bones
were broken. Today Mrs. Keller was rest-
ing well and the physicians do not think
she is seriously hurt. Her injuries will
cause her to be confined to her bed for
some time.

The boys of the com-
pany with regret that you
une 1 and go to Rich-
the upon yourself new
of another company
their good wishes and
and you they have unlit-
testimonial which they
restate and treasure as
the respect and best
eye.

Rambo produced the
employee handed over
RESPONSE
presentation Mr. Fergu-
ance was to be held in his
and the box of Little
a complete surprise to
everything of this
you all for your kindly
in the management of
railway system I have
my duty in giving the
our good service and in
and you I have always
conduct myself so that
at me I have tried to
ly in all the years I have
th the company, and I
much in the employ of
a been faithful in the
their duties at all times
such that I am going
that under the circum-
look after my own inter-
duty of every man and
have no further official
the management of the
of good will which you
resent me I will treasure
live and in its posses-
over all the boys who
in the presentation I
for your remembrance
will extend to the new
same courtesy and faith-
which you have uniform-
were more than pleased
of the surprise and while
do a close examination
of scores of people gath-
a look at the gift. Mr.
in the box of cigars and
smoke.

Will Organize.

The Colored Men Meet This Evening
to Consider Enlisting.

The colored men of the city will hold a
meeting this evening at the city council
rooms for the purpose of taking steps to-
ward organizing a company of colored
men to go to war. Several days ago Hue
Singleton received a letter from John C.
Buckner, a member of the legislature
and a former member of the state troops.
Major Buckner stated that efforts were
being made to form a colored regiment
from this state and that if such a thing
could be done the regiment would receive
prompt recognition and would be taken
into the service. He asked Mr. Single-
ton to do what he could toward organ-
izing a company from Decatur and
the meeting this evening will be for that
purpose. All colored men are requested to be
present at 7:30 o'clock at the council
rooms on the first floor of the court house.
To form a company 100 men will be re-
quired and the men will elect their own
officers. The question of going to war
has been discussed quite generally by the
colored men of the city lately and it is
thought that there will be no difficulty
in securing a company from this city.

Enlisted.
The names of some
who have enlisted in Captain
Isaac Schoffall, H.
Ryan, Fredrick, Cordie A.
Patterson, John E. May-
er, Albert Kehman, E.
Day, Thomas Selp, Mel
Greene, Oliver Marquess,
Sam Stittner, Jr., B. F.
DeMasters, J. H. Rik-
way, Clem Mullins, Cor-
dorous Dunham, Albert
Colan.

I
led to pass the physical
the following: C. C.
H. Rickotte, Roseau
DeMasters, J. H. Cook,
Thomas Strong, A. Pink-
ing Tuesday.
on of Paul Butler to
or not he has properly
been turned over to his
nation in the county
day.

will go to Stonington to-
morrow. The paying price



The Daily Republican.

EXTRA--4:30 O'clock Edition.



TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, TUESDAY, MAY 31, 1898.

NUMBER FIFTY TWO.

ON TO TAMPA AND CUBA! MILES GONE TO THE FRONT

American Volunteers Swarming on Transports for Immediate Cuban Invasion.

Troops to Join With Commodore Schley at Santiago de Cuba for Active Opera- tions--No News Yet of a Naval Engagement--Everything is Lively at Chickamauga.

TROOPS SWARMING TO CUBA.

NEW YORK, May 31.—The Journal's Washington dis-
patches this morning say there can be no doubt that several
transports have already sailed. This much was gleaned from
the war department, though the bar to giving out news is
rigid.

THE FLORIDA LANDED FOUR HUNDRED MEN.

KEY WEST, May 31.—(Copyright by Associated Press)
—Nearly 400 men with a pack train and with a large quan-
tity of arms and ammunition sailed for Cuba
on the steamer Florida May 21, under command of General
Jose Lacret, formerly the insurgent commander in Matanzas.
In landing the expedition the United States Army was rep-
resented by Captain J. A. Dorst. Gen. Julio Sanguilly, on his
way to report to Gen. Gomez, accompanied the expedition.

This is the most powerful expedition ever sent to Cuba.
Three hundred were Cubans others Americans. They car-
ried seven thousand rifles and two million rounds of ammu-
nition for General Garcia. It was conveyed by the cruiser
Marblehead, the torpedo boat destroyer Eagle and other war
ships.

The expedition arrived at a rendezvous previously arranged
twenty five miles east of Havana, Thursday morning, May
26. Scouts were sent ashore to see if the way was clear, and
were met by the Cuban generals, Faria and Rojas, with fif-
teen hundred armed insurgents who received them with a
brass band playing national airs. The unloading was finished
Friday without interruption under cover of guns of convo-
ying warships, which at once steamed away, leaving the insur-
gents to convey the munitions to the interior. The Flor-
ida brought back a large number of letters containing full
information as to the conditions prevailing in the island.

ACTIVE PREPARATIONS.

HATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 31.—Preparations for the
departure of eight regiments of infantry are being pushed
vigorously and the indications are that all will start to Tampa
during the next forty-eight hours. The first to go will be the
First Illinois, First Ohio, One Hundred and Fifty-seventh In-
diana and Third Pennsylvania. These are scheduled to leave
tomorrow night, will be composed of the Second New York,
Sixty-ninth New York, First District of Columbia and the
Fifth Maryland.

WARSHIPS ON GUARD.

CAPE HAYTIEN, May 31.—A Haytien gunboat arrived
this morning from Port Au Prince with the minister of public
works on board. He reports that while passing Mole St.
Nicholas yesterday afternoon he saw five American warships
cruising in that vicinity.

EXTRA!

TRIED TO STEAL AWAY.

NEW YORK, May 31.—The Evening
World's [Copyrighted] Port Au Prince spe-
cial says: "A report is current at Mole St.
Nicholas that three of Cervera's fleet tried
to steal out of Santiago. They were pur-
sued and only escaped destruction by re-
gaining the port.

TORE DOWN A SPANISH FLAG

Exciting Time at Camden, New Jer-
sey, on Memorial Day.

NEW YORK, May 31.—A crowd, the
more patriotic and hating Spain the more
because it was Memorial day, tore down
the Spanish flag from George Hall's house
at Camden, N. J., and trampled on it.
A veteran of the Grand Army of the Re-
public—who was persisting in memory of
his comrades of the last war and of those
who have joined them in this, led the
crowd, which quickly grew to thousands.
Hall, a true, loyal American intended
no insult to the country or to the day.
The red and yellow flag was but part of
the scheme of decorations on his house.
He was lucky that the crowd was made to
understand this. Nevertheless, they
rolled Hall over his own garden and
roughly handled him about just to re-

mind him there is really no room for
Spain's flag in America.

Post No 5 G. A. R. on parade, was
passing the soldiers' monument at city
hall. John Blowe one of the post, was
in the ranks when he caught sight of the
Spanish flag on Hall's porch.

"Take down that flag," he yelled, run-
ning from the ranks. "Tear down that
rag!" and he rushed through the crowd
on the sidewalk and jumped the railing
before Hall's front yard.

The post broke ranks and followed
Blowe, and hundreds of people ran from
all directions. In a twinkling 3000
men were surging toward and around
Hall's house. The flag was torn down
and trampled in the dirt.

WAR ACTIVITY AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Yesterday's command for the army
advance has infused the utmost activity into the body of the army
and the navy departments, and both are very busy today in prepara-
tions for the movement. The officials are very reticent as to the
points to be attacked at first, but from the best obtainable opinion,
the eastern provinces of Cuba, which includes Santiago de Cuba,
where the Spanish fleet is cooped up, will be the first subjugated
with the likelihood of a simultaneous attack, or nearly so, on Porto
Rico.

ON THE WAY.

COLUMBUS, S. C., May 31.—General Miles and party
passed through here on the way south at 1 o'clock this after-
noon.

GEN. MILES AND STAFF TO TAMPA.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Major General Miles, commanding
the United States army, accompanied by the members of his family
and his personal and official staff, left at 11 last night for Tampa.
At Tampa Gen. Miles will establish the temporary headquarters of
the army. He will personally direct the movement of the troops
and the invasion of Cuba.

The following is the personnel of the party. Gen. Miles, Mrs.
Miles, Miss Miles and Sherman Miles, Gen. Rogers, Gen. Sloan,
Col. Maus, Col. Michler, Col. Osgood, Major Daly, chief surgeon,
Major Seyberg, Major Davis, Capt. Alger, Lieut. Rowan, Lieut.
Parker and Lieut. Townsley. Gen. Collazo and Col. Hernandez, of
the Cuban army, were of the party, as were also four privates of the
Sixth cavalry, who will act as orderlies, and eleven secretaries and
clerks.

WILL FIRST CAPTURE SANTIAGO.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—From the best information
obtainable after the adjournment of the cabinet today strong-
ly indicated that an important military movement is in
progress to be directed against Santiago in co-operation with
Commodore Schley's fleet and all the insurgents, for the
speedy capture of the city, and the destruction of the Spanish
fleet is expected. It was also intimated from high sources
that the expedition now embarking at Key West may be di-
vided, part going to co-operate with Admiral Sampson
against Porto Rico. It is believed that the government now
has enough regulars and seasoned volunteers to carry out
both projects. The members of the administration agree
that the war from this time on will be prosecuted with the
utmost vigor at all points.

DEWEY KEPT BUSY AT MANILA.

HONG KONG, May 21.—(Copyright by Associated Press)
—According to mail advices to the correspondent of the As-
sociated Press from Manila under date of May 27, there is
serious sickness on board the cruiser Boston. It is believed
the Spaniards have poisoned the fish.

Admiral Dewey promised to refrain from bombarding on
condition that the Spaniards refrained from strengthening
their defenses. Sunday, May 22, they were observed vio-
lating their pledge, and Dewey fired as a warning. The work
stopped. Nobody hurt.

PUT A PRICE ON HIS HEAD.

ST. THOMAS, DANISH WEST INDIES, May 31.—Mr.
Emerson, a German newspaper correspondent, is likely to lose
his life as a spy in Porto Rico unless he is promptly rescued.
He left here on Monday for St. Croix in a lifeboat. He took
another sailboat Tuesday at St. Croix for Ponce, Porto Rico.

His newspaper friends here were notified yesterday by
cable that he had been arrested at Caguas, Porto Rico, on
Thursday. Later he escaped, whereupon the alcalde declared
him to be a spy, and put a price on his head.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

CLOSE OF LEITER'S BIG WHEAT DEAL.

May Slumps 50 Cents---Most Remarkable Drop Known in Chicago.

CHICAGO, May 31.—Leiter's celebrated May wheat deal on the board of trade passed into history with the close of the month today, with one of the most remarkable slumps in the history of the board. There had been predictions of \$2 wheat, but May opened at \$1.40, against \$1.75 at the close Saturday and quickly dropped to \$1.25, a clear loss of 50 cents. Leiter had apparently closed out the bulk of his May wheat, as his brokers paid no attention to the market until the bottom was reached. Then they prevented further decline. Though the fluctuations were wild during the day there was not much trading or excitement. July sold off at one time 10 cents. September 8 1/2.

TWO COMPLETE

Capt. Durfee Has His Companies Filled.

TINCHER NEEDS MORE MEN

For the Company He is Organizing—More Signed the Roll of the Colored Company Today.

Captain Durfee now has two complete companies of volunteers who are ready to start on short notice. Both companies have 100 men and in all 240 men have been enrolled so that if any of them are thrown out on the physical examination there will still be enough to make two full companies. Dr. Dixon makes a preliminary examination of all the men and those who would not be able to stand the regular army examination are not accepted.

W. H. Tinchler needs more men for the company he is forming. There were quite a number who signed the roll of the colored company today.

The new men who have enlisted in Captain Durfee's volunteers are as follows: Edgar Odor, Arthur Wheeler, Ernest Stewart, George G. Schenck, John E. Myers, Charles Hoffmann, J. M. Cornwell, Fred Badnacki, Jose H. Strohfeldt, Clarence Leach of Marcus, Lloyd S. Zettie of D. Iton, James F. Trible, Ira Stooker, James E. Tozer, C. E. Long, J. W. Ives, John Crum, J. H. Parker of Blue Mound, George Reynolds of Lake City, W. T. Roberts of Harriestown, R. M. Shepherd, John White, Bert Dowell, W. J. Sampson, F. B. Lawton of Niantic, C. C. Hooker of Pleron and L. H. Martin of Fersyth, Frank J. McCormick, Willie Cleudener, Tom Moran, Oscar Lester, Charles E. Schoffstall, Edward Keelson, J. V. Keck, Fred Moser, Fred Scorsia, Frank H. Hays and James Pyle, all of Decatur, and Edward F. Clark of Blue Mound, C. L. Fisher of Bement, Joe Wyckoff of Marcus, Charles Barlaugh of Bondy, William Lovell of Dalton.

TINCHER'S COMPANY.

A number of men today signed the roll to become members of the company of volunteers which is being formed by W. H. Tinchler. Mr. Tinchler has opened offices on North Water street and thinks that he will have no trouble in getting enough men to make up a full company. He is taking picked men. Mr. Tinchler says that he expects his company to become a part of Buford Wilton's regiment. There are quite a number of men at Mason who expect to join the company. Those who have so far signed are as follows: J. F. Frantz, J. P. Hurley, E. R. Boussanville, F. J. Shultz, Harry Williams, E. L. Schockengrass, R. P. Schockengrass, W. H. Tinchler, G. W. Martin and A. E. Wicks, all of Decatur.

COLORADO COMPANY.

The following are those who joined the colored company today, making in all 85: Walter R. Peck, George Lee, Albert Butler, Benjamin Dial, David Wilson, Joseph Green Claypool, Frank Phoenix, George Carter, A. S. Strickland, W. W. Taylor and Royal W. King.

A colored martial band will play in front of the recruiting office in the Synagogue block this evening. Comrade Martin has consented to assist the colored band in leading a procession of patriotic citizens, whether Federal or not. Everyone is invited to march.

Dr. Mayors has examined several of the colored recruits and they all passed successfully.

IN THE COUNTY COURT.

Frank Robinson Fined \$100—Guardians Appointed by Judge Hammer.

Frank Robinson, who with W. A. Bunker has for some time past been in jail on a charge of having in his possession gaming devices, was brought before Judge Hammer in the county court today. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$100, which

KEPT CERVERA

GUESSING

KEY WEST, FLA., May 31.—An interesting story remains to be told of the reasons which led Cervera to Santiago and of the way in which he was humiliated. It is now known that when the Spanish admiral sailed for the West Indies he expected to enter San Juan de Porto Rico for coal and supplies. On touching at Curacao for news his plans were upset by the receipt of dispatches telling him that Rear Admiral Sampson had bombarded the San Juan fortifications, and was still in the neighborhood of Porto Rico. Thereupon Cervera sailed for the south coast of Cuba. Why he entered Santiago harbor instead of the harbor of Cienfuegos is not known, but the American commanders were inclined to think the Spaniards would go to the latter port.

It is certain that Cervera could not have escaped from Santiago without being discovered, for the American scouts had been prowling about the port for ten days, and other scouts had not been far away. Practically Santiago has been blockaded for that length of time. Cervera's coal ship which followed him from Curacao to Santiago was captured last Wednesday, and at the very moment when the queen regent was cabling her congratulations the coils were tightening about him.

In case Santiago is attacked the news of battle will be sent from Male St. Nicholas and Kingston, and the prizes and wounded will be sent to Key West.

FERGUSON QUILTS TO-NIGHT

As Manager of the Street Car Company to Go to Indiana.

W. L. Ferguson, manager of the Citizens' Electric Railway Company, will this evening sever his official connection with the company. He expects to leave soon for Richmond, Ind., where he will take charge of a new electric line. He will be accompanied by his son, Fred Mr. Wilcox, the new manager of the local electric line, will be here tomorrow or the next day to assume his duties. Mr. Wilcox is splendidly fitted for the position. He is a superior man in the management of electric plants of all kinds and the stockholders believe that they will have an excellent manager.

THE SOLDIER TOOK A BRIDE

ST. LOUIS, May 31.—A Post-Dispatch special from Camp McKinley, Des Moines, Iowa, says: H. D. Russell, nephew of Secretary of War Alger, has married Miss Gretchen Kruger. Russell is a private in Company H, 51st Iowa, and will leave for the front in a few days.

NEW COMMISSION HOUSE.

Montgomery, Tobey & Co. Will Open One in the Orlando Powers Building

Montgomery, Tobey & Co., commission dealers, grain and provisions, stocks and bonds, will open for business in room 808 of the Orlando Powers building and will have Chicago grain and provision markets, and New York stock and bond market reports. These reports all come by wire direct and any orders can be promptly executed. The Chicago correspondent and reference is the Union Deposit and Guaranty Co., on the bank floor of the Hookery building. Every Chicago quotation of grain and provisions and every New York quotation on stocks will appear on their board within a few seconds after the actual transaction has taken place. Daily markets furnished on application. Central Union Telephone No. 25. Also Citizens' Mutual phone.—51st St. & 1st Ave.

TELEPHONE TO A KITE.

NEW YORK, May 31.—W. A. Eddy, the kite expert sent up a war kite at Bayonne, N. J., at the end of a thin piano wire. It carried also a trailing wire. When the kite had crossed houses, fields, trees and a river, the trailing wire was caught and attached to a telephone. A message was plainly sent to the flyer of the kite miles away. A new war use for kites was thus demonstrated.

War Envelopes.

The Shellabarger Mill and Elevator Company have quite a novel war envelope which they are using in their business. In one corner of the envelope is an eagle with an American and Cuban flag in his talons. The war envelopes are very popular in the east and are being used by many of the firms.

In Costa Rica canary birds, bullfinches and parrots are special table delicacies.

PORTUGAL IS FOR SPAIN

LISBON, May 31.—The Portuguese are much in favor of Spain in the present war and have gone out of their way to assist her. At the instance of the Spanish consul here they have sent back deserters who had entered Portuguese territory and are now sending troops to the frontier to prevent the entrance of any more. They also exercise great caution in the transmission of telegrams and letters for England and the continent generally, assuming that there must be something important in every dispatch sent to London.

The Spaniards are sending troops from all the provinces to Cadiz and Algeiras with the idea of shipping them to the Philippines as soon as the fleet is ready, which it appears cannot be for a week or more, as the ships are short of ammunition. Some of them have not yet got their guns mounted.

In the northern provinces of Spain the Carlist organs are telling the people that as Dewey attacked Manila with petroleum bombs and the Americans bombarded Spanish towns without warning the inhabitants it is time for Spain to make use of her rights and grant letters of marque.

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SPAIN EXPECTS HOME TROUBLE

GIBRALTAR, May 31.—Advises from Cadiz give information that all guns of both batteries and forts are being replaced by heavier guns. It is reported that the departure of Camara's fleet is delayed by defects in torpedo boats.

2600 MORE MEN WANTED FROM ILLINOIS.

SPRINGFIELD, May 31.—Word has been received from the war department that an officer from the regular army will be detailed to take charge of the work of recruiting Illinois regiments in the field up to the minimum of 100 men to each company, under the regular army regulations. The war department estimates the increase at 2600 men.

THE BELVIDERE A TOTAL WRECK

BOSTON, MASS., May 31.—The Boston Fruit Company has received a cable stating that their steamer, Belvidere, from Jamaica for Boston, is ashore at Cape May, at the east end of Cuba and probably a total wreck. The fate of those on board is unknown. Among the passengers was Vice President Capote of the Cuban republic.

Bryan to Be in Command.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—William Jennings Bryan may yet be colonel of a volunteer regiment. The secretary of war today authorized the governor of Nebraska to raise a regiment of infantry under the call for 75,000 troops. This is done in compliance with the request of the governor, who said he would tender a regiment which is being recruited with the expectation that Bryan will be the commanding officer.

At Madison Church.

Attorney J. B. Moffatt of this city made a Memorial Day address at the Madison church last Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. There was a large attendance and the meeting held was an enthusiastic one. Mr. Moffatt spoke for about an hour and made an excellent address. He stirred up the patriotism of the people and was heartily applauded.

—George Wile of Indianapolis was in the city visiting friends over Sunday.

—Miss Gertrude Chapman is ill at her home on East Main street.

When Weak, Worn and Winded from Kidney Disease, why not try Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed medicine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Kroce, W. H. Hubbard.

Men's Blue Serge SUITS...



Made out of fine
Worsted Serge—
Dark Blue,
Extra Taped,
Perfect Fitters--

at \$10
at \$12
at \$15

Come in Stouts, Longs and Regular Size 34 to 46.

Men's Fancy Cheviots, Scotchies
and Cassimeres--New Styles, Checks--
Light and Dark Shades--

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Fine Suits--The correct styles---are shown by
us. Regard to make and fit, we handle The Best
that's made, and give the best that's to be had
in Ready to Wear Clothes---

at \$12, \$15, \$18.

New Straw Hats, New Neckwear
New Summer Hats, New Underwear,
For Spring and Summer Use.

Ottenheimer & Co.

MASONIC TEMPLE BLOCK.

FOR PROF. OWEN.

Mrs. Bellman Will Give a Musical at Her Residence on Friday Evening.

Mrs. W. E. Bellman will give a musicale at her residence at 314 North College street on Friday evening at 8 o'clock in honor of Prof. Herbert Owen of St. Louis, who will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bellman for the day and evening.

Prof. Owen is one of the leading musicians of St. Louis. He holds the position as organist at the First Congregational church and is recognized among the musical talent of St. Louis as a leading baritone.

Mrs. Bellman will be assisted by members of the Musical Culture club and Mrs. E. K. Bunn and all members of the Musical Culture club are invited to be present and meet Prof. Owen. The following will be given:

1. "Am Genfer See," op. 139, No. 6, Bened.—Mrs. Bellman.
2. "Capture of Bacchus," Dudley Buck—Prof. Owen.
3. Nootone No. 1, Chopin—Miss Bunn.
4. (a) "Ah 'Tis A Lovely Dream," Hawley; (b) "When All the World is Young, Lad," Sheppard—Prof. Owen.
5. Polonaise, op. 26, No. 1, Chopin—Mrs. Bellman.
6. Song, "Stella," Faure—Mrs. E. K. Bunn.
7. "Fantasia Impromptu," op. 66, Chopin—Miss Clark.
8. "Ave Marie," Mascagni—Prof. Owen.

Concerto No. 1, G Minor, Mendelssohn—Mrs. Bellman.

Memorial Day at Boiling Springs.

It was incorrectly stated in the Republican last evening that the rain had interfered with the usual observance of Memorial Day exercises at Boiling Springs church, northwest of the city. Impressive services were held at 11 a. m., when Rev. C. F. McKown of Harriestown delivered the address. There was a large audience present, including the following veterans from Decatur: Peter Perol, I. N. Martie, Sr., L. F. Muzzy and Gottlieb Sobell, who assisted in throwing the great profusion of flowers on the graves of the dead heroes.

A pleasant visit was paid Attorney J. L. Deck today by Harry Welty of Roadhouse, Ill., a former school mate of Mr. Deck, but now cashier in the People's bank at Roadhouse.

—Miss Minnie Fremont has taken a position as saleslady in the infant supply department at Linn & Scruggs.

—Miss Vesta White has accepted a position in the hosiery department at Linn & Scruggs.

Savages, on the whole, live longer than civilized people.

MAY YET BE COLONEL BRYAN

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 31.—The Post-Dispatch's Jefferson City. Mo. special says: "Governor Stephens has offered the command of a Missouri regiment to William Jennings Bryan of Nebraska, in view of the fact that he cannot lead a regiment from his own state."

Rather Queer.

FALMOUTH, ENGLAND, May 31.—The British steamer Remembrance has sailed for Colon with Spanish government packages and a cargo of coal understood to be for the Spanish fleet.

Laid Up for Ten Days.

NEW YORK, May 31.—The disabled cruiser Columbia will probably not be able to leave the dock for at least ten days.

Letter List.

Following is the list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Decatur, Ill., post office for the week ending May 31, 1897. When called for please say advertisement:

GENTLEMEN'S LIST

Anderson Harry W. Jones, A. J. Buehler, Earle Knight, William Larson, Martin C. Conklin, E. L. (2) Lawns, B. W. Cotral, A. C. Painter, Daniel Schenkelberger, F. Frazier, Mike Spay, W. H. Hinks, Wm. C. Silvering, Harry Housman, C. M. Stablier, Orlie J. Winchell, E. A.

LADIES' LIST

Arnold, Annie; Bullard, Cecil; Campbell, Sadie; Eagleston, Minnie; Groves, Ella; Gray, Clara V.; Lee, Maud; Mackey, Lida; Weld, Minnie (6); W. F. CALHOUN, P. M.

FOREIGN

A carrier pigeon service was established by the Turks A. D. 1677.

Neither camels nor elephants can jump. Straw hats cleaned at Smith's, 5 North Main.

It is claimed that at present the English language is spoken by 115,000,000 people.

GIVE THE CHILDREN A DRINK

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THE SURE SHOT

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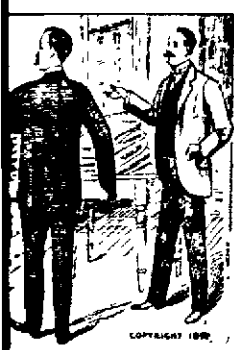
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he shoots he is likely to be much more
careful in the use of his ammunition than
when he has a gun that can be pumped a
large number of times without the neces-
sity of reloading.

Taking into consideration the advan-
tage of the United States troops in the
matter of marksmanship, it is the general
opinion among military men that the
United States soldiers need have nothing
to fear from the fact that the Spaniards
in Cuba will have a larger number of
modern rifles than the American army of
invasion will possess. There is a well-
grounded belief at the war department
that Blanco has no ammunition to waste,
and that the army will be forbidden to
pump out its rifles before the Americans
are close enough to make the Spanish
firing of some effect. The Spaniards can-
not do any effective firing at a distance
greater than 800 yards, and at that dis-
tance the Americans will be able to give
them a costly lesson in good shooting.

CHAN POWERS AT ST. LOUIS

Remarkable Expert Shooting--Won Three Straight Contests.

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trance fee per man, attracted seven experts to the traps at DuPont Park yesterday
afternoon. C. M. Powers, of Decatur, Ill., won, killing 85 straight birds. J. M. C. Starkloff finished second with 24 kills and pulled down second money. P. M. King and Ed Prendergast brought to earth 21 each. A 10-bird event, entrance fee \$10, followed, and Powers, George Prendergast, Kling and Donning divided first money with nine kills each. A handicap shoot wound up the afternoon's sport. Powers won with a clean score from the 25-mark. Mr. Powers' opponents were Kling, E. Prendergast, Thompson, Sam Thompson, Kessler, Starkloff, Donning, Taylor, G. Prendergast.

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tiago de Cuba secures its best argument.
He has pointed out that 30,000 troops

will probably be able to dislodge 15,000
Spaniards from the neighborhood of San-
tiago, gain the hilltops about the harbor
and command the vessels with siege guns
and other artillery force. These tactics
will place the city of Santiago at the
mercy of such an army.

Naval officers give up with much re-
luctance the opportunity of engaging the
Spanish ships and the natural rivalry be-
tween the army and navy has again
shown itself. The situation, however,
has been deemed one in which the two
branches may co-operate, and General
Miles' proposition seems to offer the most
effective means of defeating the enemy
at Santiago with less risk and loss to our
own forces and property and with the
greatest compensation in the victory.

Puerto Rico Comes Next.

The invasion of Puerto Rico is expected
to follow close upon the descent upon
Santiago, where at least 30,000 troops
will be sent to meet the 15,000 Spanish
soldiers said to be in the vicinity of San
Juan. The invasion of northern and
western Cuba will probably be postponed
until autumn if the advice of General
Miles and the recommendations of the
army surgeons are followed. The sani-
tary considerations involved in an inva-
sion of northern Cuba do not hamper
the plans for making an attack on San-
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and the dislodgement of the enemy in the
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links of the order, in red white and blue,
representing the motto of the organiza-
tion, fraternity, charity and loyalty, and
above floated a flag at half mast with a
bow of black ribbon tied to the mast-
head. The decorations were placed in the
place of the usual tributes to the unknown
dead as a tribute to the dead sailors of
the unfortunate Maine.

WAR NEWS IN NEW YORK

Pointers on Plans of Cuban Attack Published To-Day in Gotham Papers.

NEW YORK, May 31.—The World's Washington special this morning says
that Schley wants to attack Cervera, but Long won't let him as long as he thinks
Cervera can be captured without a naval fight.

The World's Washington dispatch also says that all the eastern end of Cuba
will be subjugated before Havana is invested or an army sent to Porto Rico.

The Sun's Washington special this morning agrees with the New York Press
that Santiago and San Juan will be attacked simultaneously at once and Havana
after both have fallen.

The Sun's Washington dispatches also say that Schley may not wait for the
army's aid before he goes in and attacks Cervera.

The World's Lisbon special this morning says the Spanish fleet at Cadiz is too
short of ammunition and guns to be feared.

The Herald's Washington dispatches this morning says the naval war board
has advised Schley not to attack Cervera. It also says that Santiago will be first
invested by an invading army of 15,000 under command of Shafter, but probably
no fighting till the end of the week.

The Herald's Madrid dispatch says Admiral Camara is ready to sail from Ca-
dis, and will touch Cavaite first, repeating Admiral Cervera's tactics in the Carib-
bean waters as far as possible, hoping to effect a juncture with him.

MARRIED TO-DAY COL. DORST IS DARING

Will McBride Weds Emma Cain at St. Louis.

MARRIAGE OF MISS LAUX

To C. J. Shaw, of New York City, Will

Take Place Saturday Morning.

June 4—Will be a

Quiet Affair.

The marriage of Will McBride of this
city and Miss Emma Cain occurred today
at St. Louis at the home of the bride's
father, George Cain. Mr. McBride went
to St. Louis yesterday. The wedding was
a quiet affair and the young couple left
today for a short time through the west
and will return to Decatur in about two
weeks.

Both the bride and groom are well
known in this city. Miss Cain is the
daughter of George Cain, who was for-
merly roadmaster of the middle division of
the Wabash and resided in his city. Miss
Cain went to St. Louis with her parents
several years ago, but has frequently vis-
ited in the city. She is a charming young
lady and has many friends in Decatur.
Will McBride is the grandson of the late
William Bower and was raised in Decatur.
For the past year he has been study-
ing medicine at Chicago. He has a wide
acquaintance in Decatur and is held in
the highest esteem by his friends. The
wedding was not a surprise to the friends
of the couple and their engagement was
announced during the winter.

MISS LAUX WILL WED.

The marriage of Miss Josephine Laux
of this city and C. J. Shaw of New
York, will be solemnized at the parlor of
the St. Nicholas hotel on Saturday morn-
ing, June 4 at 10 o'clock. The ceremony
will be very simple and unostentatious.
There will be no attendants and only the
immediate family will be present. The
ceremony will be performed by Rev.
Father Brady.

The couple will leave at noon for Lake-
wood, N. Y., where Mr. Shaw has taken
charge of the management of the Kan-
sas, one of the large hotels at that popular re-
sort, which is situated on Lake Chautau-
que, just 14 miles from Chautauque and
within easy access to the assembly
grounds, the boats leaving every 10 min-
utes. They will return to New York in
the autumn and Mr. Shaw will resume
his position as clerk and bookkeeper at
the New Netherlands hotel.

Out of town guests who will be in at-
tendance at the wedding are Mrs. J. F.
Livers of Kansas City, aunt of the bride,
Miss Lillian Laux of Guthrie, Okla-
homa, the Misses Henrietta Stem and
Sadie Kelly of St. Louis and Jack Maloy
of St. Louis.

Miss Laux has long deservedly enjoyed
the reputation for the most excellent
taste in matters of dress and the trans-
parent in every detail is beautiful and com-
plete.

Collectors Can Act.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The su-
preme court has decided that the United
States district court for West Virginia
had no jurisdiction to sit as a court of
equity in the matter of dismisseal of or-
der of civil service law. The lower court
sought to restrain the collector of inter-
nal revenue in dismissing certain em-
ployees.

The Woman's Home Missionary society
of the First M. E. church will meet with
Miss Schuler at the First M. E. person-
age on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.
Tea will be served at 6 o'clock and a pro-
gram will be given in the evening.

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WE can show you spring suits at price
will surprise you. They are stylish, made
best manner, of materials that a few ye-
ago were never seen in ready-made clothing. We
could say much more about them, but would rather
have you come in and let the suits talk for themselves.



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suitable for dress or business wear, all wool. Blue
Serge, neat effects, in all wool. Cassimere, Homespun
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Serge, Fancy Cassimere and Worsted Dress Suits—
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Child's Juniors, age 3 to 7

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Child's Vests, age 3 to 7

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Fancy checks, velours, cassimeres and
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Child's Knee Pant Suits, 8 to 15.

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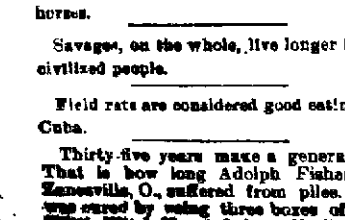
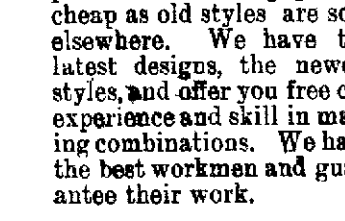
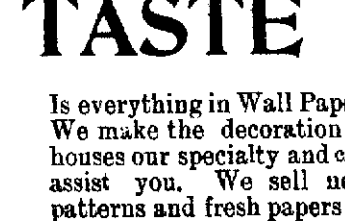
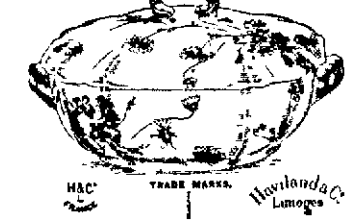
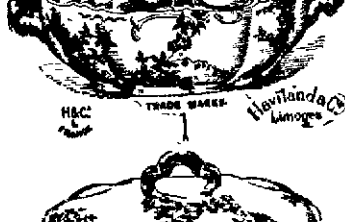
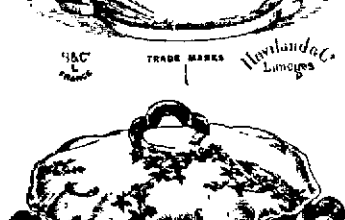
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MAM'ELLE CELESTINE.

WILLIAM DRYSDALE.

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PART I.

Chatfield's experience on Palmer Island was necessarily an odd one. We always look for odd things when Chatfield is about, because he is fond of the unusual and takes pains to find it; but we were hardly prepared to hear of his teaching a school of briar-root-pipe-colored children in Palmyra.

It was one of his freaks, only a little wilder than the others. When his yacht was run down in the Sound two years ago the newspapers were full of stories of his wealth, his travels, his adventures and hairbreadth escapes. That was the time they all called him David R. Chatfield, although everybody knows that his name is David H. Chatfield. They described him accurately enough as a tall young man of about twenty-four, with handsome dark hair and eyes, dark complexion, lithe and muscular, wearing a slight brown mustache.

The only trouble with Chat is that he has always had too much time and money to spare. He is a first-rate fellow as it is, but with the advantage of poverty he might have become a great fellow. It is only fair to him to say that he does not bore his friends with stories of his adventures; we get these from the papers, and it is hard to make him retell them when we catch him at the club.

It was one of these newspaper stories about him, an Indian tiger-hunting story, I think, that incidentally led to his Palmyra experience. We were in Nassau, at the Royal Victoria hotel, and our party were gathered one morning on the eastern end of the big piazza—the end where the building is rounded off like the stern of a steamboat. We preferred that end because the trade wind gave us a cool breeze there every morning after breakfast. Somebody was reading the story out of an English newspaper, and Chat was particularly annoyed by it because SHE was there with us, and he did not like the notoriety.

The reader insisted upon reading the whole thing aloud, and when he concluded, young Lloyd, who was looking over a Nassau paper published that morning, broke in with:

"I don't see what you want to be fooling with tigers and elephants for, Chat. Why don't you try something peaceful for a change? Now here's a chance for a nice quiet little adventure; listen to this advertisement in the Nassau Guardian." And he read:

"Wanted—A schoolmaster for Palmyra Island. Must be a classical scholar, and competent to teach the higher mathematics. Salary \$40 per annum and the use of a dwelling-house.
Apply to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary."

Chat laughed at the idea when we chaffed him about it, and it would have passed off harmlessly if SHE had not taken it up. That young person is a tease, and fond of adventure herself; and she almost dared him to go down to Palmyra and teach that school. Still Chat only laughed, and a few minutes later we set out for a sail to the sea gardens; but before the week ended Chat exploded a bomb by telling us quietly that he had seen the colonial secretary, and had been appointed schoolmaster of Palmyra Island.

She was a little frightened at what she had done, I think; but she made no sign, and in a few days we all went down to the wharf to see Chat sail away in the mail schooner for Palmyra. The mail schooner makes one round trip every month, and is the only means of communication Palmyra has with the rest of the world.

When the schooner landed Chat at Palmyra most of the population were gathered about the little wharf to see him, to the number of three or four hundred, in all shades of color and all stages of dress—mostly shoeless, often hatless and coatless, and some little black shavers with nothing on but a loof of expectancy in their faces. In front of them all was the resident magistrate; and you must know that the resident magistrate and the schoolmaster are the two great men of Palmyra; the schoolmaster perhaps a little the greater, because he is the only white man on the island.

The days are as much alike as the seasons in Palmyra, and the arrival of a new schoolmaster is an important event. The people are all negroes, as I have said, with no more business than can be done in two or three little shops, and no occupation but gathering coconuts and shipping them away in the mail schooner, and raising a few vegetables and catching fish and turtles. It is a terribly isolated island, but a beautiful one. There are no towering mountains to scrape the clouds with their green peaks; it is low, almost flat, and made up largely of white soil, with here and there a patch of red soil. But even the rocks are fertile, and from their crevices spring trees that bear a wealth of fruit and fragrant flowers the year through, and bushes of gorgeous colors and sweet perfumes, and mammoth ferns that tower among the trees.

The glory of the island is on its northern end, where from a smooth plain of white sand there grows an immense grove of giant coconut palms, their feathery tops so high that to look at them from below tires the neck, and so

luxuriant that the grapevine branches meet, forming a green canopy through which the sun steals only here and there in narrow beams.

It is among these palms, under this rustling canopy, that the Palmyra people live. Their little stone houses are scattered in confusion among the trees, with their thatched roofs and floors of hard clay and unglazed windows, half hidden by thickets of orange and lemon trees, limes, bananas, sugar-apple, pawpaws, mangoes, and tropical shrubs. The houses are all much alike, and the schoolmaster's residence is no exception—four low stone walls topped with a thick roof of thatch, board shutters to the windows instead of glass, no chimneys; with two square rooms inside, a narrow strip of ground smoothed in front to answer for a piazza.

Chat was soon installed in this official residence, with a half-grown boy who had been selected to serve him as housekeeper, cook, and valet, and with his baggage lying in a confused heap in a corner of the inner room—the corner opposite the hammock. The gentle and simple Palmyrians opened their eyes at sight of the big satchels and the dress suit case, the two strapped rugs and the steamer chair, the thick bundle



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of canes and the other of umbrellas, the leather dressing-case, the mackintosh, the three top coats, and the four large leather trunks. No schoolmaster had ever arrived with such an outfit before.

It was on the evening of his arrival that Chat first met Mam'elle Celestine. He was sitting out on his hard clay piazza smoking an after-supper cigar and enjoying one of the sights for which Palmyra is famous. All about among the trees were little fires (for the back yard is the Palmyra kitchen), and each fire had its group of people, singing and dancing. Some playing the violin, and others at other fires playing the mouth organ, the concertina, the flute, the fife, or the home-made drum. In this way every day is ended in Palmyra; and the soft air was full of music and moonbeams, and the rustling of palm leaves.

As he watched and listened he heard footsteps approaching, and in a moment a young woman appeared in the path. By the light from his open door he saw that she was a beautiful girl of perhaps twenty, with a great quantity of wavy black hair fastened up in a Psyche knot on her uncovered head, with rich brown eyes that looked straight into his. She was much better clad than any of the islanders he had seen, in a well-fitting gown of black, and shoes that were not of island make. But more astonishing still were her fair complexion and her Caucasian mold of feature.

Chat stepped forward to speak, but the young woman anticipated him.

"Good evening, Monsieur Schoolmaster," she said, in a musical voice that gave him a start. "I have come to bid you welcome to Palmyra. We have few strangers here, and the people cannot be expected to know how newcomers should be treated. They are kind people, but densely ignorant and superstitious. I hope they have made you comfortable. I hope they have made you comfortable."

As Chat handed her his chair and reached for another he replied that he had been made exceedingly comfortable. "Take such an interest in the school," his visitor continued, seating herself with the grace of a child of the tropics, "that I thought it best to come and make your acquaintance at once. My name is Celestine—Mam'elle Celestine; but the people find that too hard to pronounce, and shorten it to Mam. Celestine. And you are Mr. Chatfield; I am glad to meet you, Mr. Chatfield; and you will probably be surprised to hear that it is largely through my agency that you have come here."

"The device it is!" Chat thought; but he answered politely:

"Indeed! I had no idea that I had such a friend at court."

"Of course not," Celestine replied. "But it is true. The school was not satisfactory to me under its late master, and I found means to have him removed. I have plans for this little island that can be carried out best through the school. I do not need your de reussir. But I have not quite time to tell you after your voyage. It is enough for one day that we have met. Before we meet again you will find that I have some influence in Palmyra. Strange

things happen sometimes, even on a little island like this. Adieu, Monsieur Chatfield."

With a sweep of her skirt she was gone, and Chat sat for some moments looking after her.

"Undeniably handsome," was his conclusion; "apparently well bred; deucedly mysterious young person; certainly not a native of this island."

"George," he asked, when the boy was making the hammock ready for the night, "who is Mam. Celestine?"

"Oh, I—she—well, I can't edactly say, sah; but she—she—"

"Well, out with it."

George looked cautiously about, and tiptoed to the door and closed it. Then



"SH-H-H! BERRY BAD TO TALK ABOUT DEM TINGS."

he went up to his master, and with his hand to his mouth whispered, "She ketch shadder, sah!"

"Ah, ha!" Chatfield laughed; "that's it, is it? A shadow-catcher; a jinnah woman; a hoodoo; an obi worshipper. Is that it?"

"Sh-h-h!" George said, his finger upon his lips.

"Berry bad to talk about dem tings, sah."

Chat was not disappointed with his surroundings when he began operations in the schoolhouse. He had visited such little tropical schools before, in other parts of the world, and knew what to expect. The clause about "the classics and higher mathematics" in the colonial secretary's advertisement had given him some amusement, for he was aware that nothing more classical than the second reader would require his attention, nor any mathematics higher than common fractions.

The building differed little from the dwelling-houses, except that it was in one room instead of two. There were the same stone walls, thatched roof, clay floor, and unglazed windows. At one end of the room was a desk for the teacher, and in front of it the usual rows of desks and benches for the pupils—modern desks, of hard wood and iron, bought at government expense. In a corner near the teacher's desk, nailed to the wall, was a case containing the school library; almost the only books on the island except a few Bibles and hymn-books. There were primers and readers in it, arithmetics, grammars, a Bible, a Bolmar's Sevizac, a big dictionary, a set of Scott's novels, and one or two guide books.

The pupils were in keeping with the schoolroom. No shade of darkness between yellowish white and the absolute black of the Congo was missing. Among the sixty or seventy boys and girls, there was not a single pair of shoes. Size made no difference in their attainments. Big brawny fellows and their big sisters struggled with the mysteries of the primer, while bright youngsters of half their age read glibly that "The boy—picked—the—large—red—apple." It was the old story of the colored child in the tropics; quick and bright at twelve, clouds hovering over the brow at sixteen, all the learning forgotten at twenty.

Before the first day was over there was a commotion in the neighborhood of one of the large boys. All the boys around him sprang from their seats and backed away from him in alarm.

"Mawster, Andy Inches's got a white rooster's head in he pocket, sah!" one of them called out, in a voice trembling with fear.

It instantly occurred to Chat that the white rooster's head is one of the favorite charms of the obi worker.

"Come up here, Andrew Inches," he said. "Empty out your pockets on my desk."

As the unwilling Andrew slouched up the aisle the pupils on both sides, boys and girls, drew back from him. One after another his pockets were emptied, and from the last one came the somewhat soiled and altogether unpleasant head of a fowl. It had once been white.

"Bahl!" Chatfield exclaimed, taking it between his thumb and forefinger and throwing it through the open window; "what a horrid thing to carry in your pocket! I want to see you after school is dismissed, Andrew."

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After school he called Andrew up to the front.

"Now, then, Andrew, I want to know what you mean by bringing that rooster's head to school."

Andrew's grandfather had been a Congo, with three broad slits cut in each cheek. The boy had inherited the black physique, the coal black skin, the thick brown eyes, full cheeks and thick lips of his ancestors. Perhaps because of their dogged courage, too, for some of the master squares in the Congo looked the master squares in the Congo, and made no reply. But his big lips protruded till they were a half inch beyond his nose.

"Answer me, sah!"

"Still no reply; but further out went the lips."

"Will you answer?" Chat asked again, and still the boy stood like a black statue. The master raised the desk lid and took out the strap the government provided; it was the only argument the young Congo understood.

"Oh, mawster, please let me go dis time, sah! Please don't lick me, sah! Please don't. Oh, please let me off, sah! I couldn't help it, sah; 'deed, 'deed, I couldn't. I had to bring it, sah; I had to do it." He was less statue-like now.

"Then tell me why you had to bring it," Chat said, threateningly.

Instantly the boy resumed his former attitude, with his eyes again fixed upon the schoolmaster's, glaring a defiance that plainly said: "You may kill me, but I'll never answer that question."

It was an unpleasant moment for Chat, for nothing would have induced him to strike one of his pupils, yet it seemed necessary to subdue the defiant box in some way. While he rapidly considered what to do, a faint odor of orange blossoms was wafted into the schoolroom, there was the swirl of a white skirt in the doorway and Mam'elle Celestine was in the aisle.

"My, my, my!" she exclaimed, as she advanced toward the teacher's desk; she was smiling and radiant; "trouble on the first day? Behold the culprit; for I am the guilty one, not the boy. It was I gave him the fowl's head to carry. He had to bring it; he could not possibly do anything but obey me. Won't you please, Mr. Schoolmaster (and she laid her hand gently upon Chat's arm and looked bewitchingly into his eyes), won't you please let him go this time? He shall not trouble you again."

Glad of any excuse for dismissing the lad, Chat told him to go home, and the



"WILL YOU ANSWER?" CHAT ASKED AGAIN.

best minute he regretted it, when he realized that he had given the defiant Andrew some reason to believe that Mam'elle Celestine's uncanny charms could influence him.

"I give me for giving you that little trouble," Celestine said, when the boy had gone; "it was only intended to show the truth of what I have said to you. You remember my telling you that I have considerable influence here. If I give every one of your pupils a charm to carry to school, they would all bring them; they could not help themselves. And if you were to beat them with clubs they would not tell you where they got them, nor why they carried them. At a word from me not one of your pupils would dare enter the door."

"The pshaw!" she went on, throwing her head gracefully into the nearest seat. "It is almost a shame to practice upon these ignorant children. I do not often do it except through their quality. I want parents, I delight in dealing with their parents. Ha! ha! who is the most intelligent among them? The master, is he not? One of my little charms of amusements is making the magicians draw a circle around himself in the sand before he dare enter his own door. Watch him some day, and see if he doesn't."

Chat stood looking down at the beautiful young woman in astonishment when she was speaking. When she concluded he seated himself on the opposite side of the aisle, and with great deliberation took out his cigar case.

"Do you object to my smoking?" he asked.

"Not in the least," she replied; "I enjoy it. I am rather partial to cigarettes myself; but always in private."

"Now, Mam'elle," Chat said, after a pause, and thoroughly lighting his cigar, "see that you are a very intelligent young lady, and—"

"Merci, Monsieur," Celestine interrupted, with a mock bow and another of her bewitching smiles.

"And I trust that you will give me credit for some little intelligence myself," he continued. "ALICE JONES."

